

Consumer Expenditure Surveys



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Public Use Microdata Order Form

A Brief Description of the Public Use Microdata

The Bureau of Labor Statistics sells CD-ROM's and computer tapes of Consumer Expenditure (CE) Survey public use microdata. The CD-ROM's and tapes contain either separate or various combinations of Interview survey data, Diary survey data, EXPN files, and tabulated data (see the contents section in the table for a particular year's exact contents).

The Interview survey collects data on monthly expenditures for housing, apparel and services, transportation, health care, entertainment, personal care, reading, education, food, tobacco, cash contributions, and personal insurance and pensions, as well as income and characteristics data. The Interview survey data are organized into four major data files for each quarter: 1) FMLY-a family characteristics and income file, 2) MEMB-a member characteristics and income file, 3) MTAB-a detailed monthly expenditure file, and 4) ITAB-a monthly income file.

The Diary survey collects data on weekly expenditures of frequently purchased items such as food at home, food away from home, alcoholic beverages, smoking supplies, personal care products and services, and nonprescription drugs, as well as income and characteristics data. The Diary survey data are organized into four major data files for each quarter: 1) FMLY-a family characteristics and income file, 2) MEMB-a member characteristics and income file, 3) EXPN-detailed weekly expenditures, and 4) DTAB-annual income.

The EXPN files contain expenditure and non-expenditure information collected directly from all of the major sections of the quarterly Interview survey. These files are more detailed than the other Interview survey files alone.

The tabulated data are tables, in Lotus format, of integrated diary and interview data. These are the same data for sale on diskette.

For years prior to 1996 the microdata are available only in ASCII text format. Beginning in 1996 the microdata are available in either ASCII text format or PC SAS data sets. Using programs like SAS or SPSS users can extract and manipulate the data.

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Year	Contents	Price	Check
1998	SAS Data Sets Interview, EXPN, and Diary survey data including 1984-98 tabulated data	\$145	
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1997	SAS Data Sets Interview, EXPN, and Diary survey data including 1984-97 tabulated data	\$145	
1997	ASCII Text Format Interview, EXPN, and Diary survey data including 1984-97 tabulated data	\$145	
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1996	ASCII Text Format	\$145	

To inquire about the availability of microdata on tapes, contact the Division of Consumer Expenditure Surveys.

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1995	Interview, EXPN, and Diary survey data including 1984-95 tabulated data	\$145	
1994	Interview, EXPN, and Diary survey data including 1984-94 tabulated data	\$155	
1992-93	Interview and Diary survey data including 1984-93 tabulated data	\$170	
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1984-94	Selected Interview survey data. (<i>Only FMLY file data</i>)	\$165	
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